

## Dear HIP stakeholder,

Starting this week, all Healthy Indiana Plan members will receive notices in the mail indicating their Gateway to Work status for January 2019. Members should receive their notices by December 10, 2018.

The three statuses are "Exempt," "Reporting Met" and "Reporting." Every HIP member will have one of these three Gateway to Work statuses:

- Exempt "Exempt" means the member is exempt from Gateway to Work and is not required to participate during any month in which they continue to have an exemption.
- Reporting Met "Reporting Met" means the member is not exempt, but is already working at least 20 hours per week. These members will not need to do anything new for Gateway to Work unless they report a change in their work status to FSSA as required.
- Reporting "Reporting" members are required to participate in Gateway to Work. These members will need to report the number of hours they spend doing activities such as work, attending classes or volunteering each month through the FSSA Benefits Portal or to their health plan (Anthem, CareSource, MDwise or MHS).

Examples of the notices members will receive are found here.

As Gateway to Work changes will be phased in starting in 2019, we encourage those of you who work directly with HIP members to ask if they have received their status letter. If a member does not receive or loses his or her status letter, they should call their health plan and ask for this information. Also, if a member believes their status should be different than what is in their letter, they should call their health plan to discuss this.

## **About Gateway to Work**

Gateway to Work is part of the Healthy Indiana Plan that helps connect HIP members with opportunities to work, learn or serve in their communities. Starting in 2019, some HIP members will be required to participate in qualifying Gateway to Work activities up to 80 hours a month for at least eight months a year to keep their HIP benefits. For the first six months of 2019, zero activity hours will be required. This is to help ensure we have ample opportunity to communicate with members and give them time to learn about the program, contact their health plans and find

activities they can do. Gateway to Work's required activity hours will then increase according to this schedule:

<u>Date</u>	Required Hours
January 1, 2019 – June 30, 2019	0 hours per month
July 1, 2019 – September 30, 2019	20 hours per month
October 1, 2019 – December 31, 2019	40 hours per month
January 1, 2020 – June 30, 2020	60 hours per month
July 1, 2020 – Ongoing	80 hours per month

As we continue with our member engagement and communications throughout the phase in of Gateway to Work, we invite you to reach out to our team at <a href="mailto:fssa.GatewaytoWork@fssa.in.gov">fssa.in.gov</a> or 317-234-6038 with any opportunities you have to connect with members (health fairs, newsletters, meetings, etc.). We would be pleased to participate and/or contribute information.

More information about Gateway to Work is available here.